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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/980,431)
Filing Date: 3/27/02)
Priority Date: 4 December 2000)
Inventor: YONNET, Claude)
For: PILOT VALVE)
Examiner: Krishnamurthy, Ramesh)
Art Unit: 3753)

AMENDMENT

Director For Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 07/12/04, the Applicant requests the above-identified application to be re-examined in view of the following amendments and remarks:

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